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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 CFR sections 1.97 and 1.98, applicant respectfully requests that the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449, be made of record and considered in connection with the examination of this application. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed. A translation of the foreign language document(s) is not readily available.

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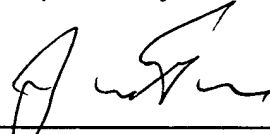
U.S. Patent No. 6,767,512 (corresponds to DE 196 46 115 discussed in the preamble of the specification) discloses a temperature-regulating block.

International Publication WO 99/18516 discloses control of nucleic acid amplification procedures including PCR.

Prospect of the firm "Eppendorf AG" discloses a tempering "Master cycler Gradient" device for obtaining a gradient function that permits to evaluate, during a single pass, up to twelve (12) different annealing, elongation, and/or denaturing temperatures for a polymerase chemical reaction (PCR-reaction), and which includes a tempering block.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(p) in the amount of \$180 and any further fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-0955.

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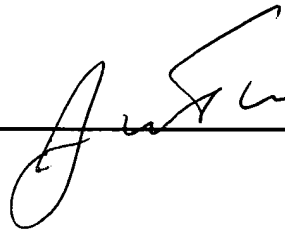


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